

The Hong Kong Telegraph.

WEATHER FORECAST.
FAIR.

May 31st, 1912, Temperature a.m. 80, p.m. 80; Humidity..92, 73.

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TELEGRAMS.

P. & O. MAIRS.

POSSIBLE SUSPENSION.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
via Bombay, June 1, 1.10 a.m.
Received, 6 a.m.

The Secretary of the P. and O. Steamship Company writes to the newspapers, emphasising the difficulties of maintaining the mail service to India, China, Japan and Australia under the present conditions of labour unrest.

NO FREIGHT.

He states that the steiners Majola and Egypt, which were appointed to take the mails this week and next week respectively, are still undischarged. The Majola has gone to Rotterdam to discharge coal and will sail without a pound of freight aboard.

The Egypt will be replaced by the Caledonia, which likewise will be despatched in ballast.

The Himalaya, unless the strike concludes, will have to replace the Mongolia, which is due to sail on June 14th, and will likewise depart in ballast.

DISASTROUS EFFECT.

The Secretary points out that a prolongation of the present disturbance must lead to the suspension of the mailservice altogether.

HOME RACING.

MANCHESTER CUP RESULT.
via Bombay, June 1, 1.10 a.m.
Received, 6 a.m.

The result of the Manchester Cup, run yesterday (Distance one mile and a half) is as follows:

Donnithorne..... 1
Bronzino..... 2
Mushroom..... 3

Won by half a length, similar distance between second and third. Nine ran. The betting was: 5-1 Donnithorne, 11-10 Bronzino, 100-0 Mushroom.

THE DERBY.

London, May 31, 3.15 p.m.
Received, June 1, 2.5 a.m.

The latest quotations on the Derby are: -3-1 Sweeper, 100-12 White Star and Cygad, 2-1 Tagolie, 10-1 Mordred, 100-7 Jaeger and Bataclan, 100-6 Cutmint, 20-1 Jingling Goofie, 25-1 Javelin, 50-1 Farman, 80-1 Farrier.

CHINA INLAND MISSION.

BIG BEQUEST.
via Bombay, June 1, 1.10 a.m.
Received, 6 a.m.

Mrs. Margaret Jones, of Eastbourne, has bequeathed the residue of her estate, probably amounting to £15,000, to the China Inland Mission.

TELEGRAMS.

LONDON STRIKE.

BRIGHTER PROSPECTS.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, May 31.
Received, 5.45 p.m.

The newspapers quote Ben Tillett as saying last night that he now does not intend to call either national or international strike. It is the general belief that the trouble is subsiding.

GLUT OF MEAT.

The merchants of Smithfield are complaining of the glut of meat at the market.

Most of the employers refused to attend the conference to-day.

PREVENTIVE MEASURES.

The "Daily News" understands that the Government will insist upon the men resuming immediately and will then establish a Board of Arbitration to prevent stoppages in future.

STRIKE WITHIN A STRIKE.

London, May 31, 5.15 p.m.
Received June 1, 6.30 a.m.

There is greater activity at the docks.

Volunteer workers are unloading foodstuffs. At first they received sixpence per hour, but then they struck for a shilling, which has been granted.

GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSAL.

Bombay, June 1, 7.20 a.m.
Received, 12 noon.

Unrest is general among the strikers. A conference of Ministers was held at the Home Office; afterwards Mr. Ben Tillett announced that the Government proposed the establishment of a Conciliation Board for the Port of London. The proposal is being considered by the masters and the men who will reply next week.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

Battles in Mexico.

Washington, May 24.—Two considerable battles in Mexico, in both of which the troops of the government were victorious, are told of in the dispatches received here to-day, and it is generally considered that the possible necessity of immediate intervention by the United States has been removed.

At Rollano, where the rebels had gathered in force, and where yesterday's messages told of a vigorous attack by the federal troops, the battle raged for 25 hours. Even darkness did not interrupt the operations, and the losses on both sides are heavy. There is no doubt that the government gained a decisive victory, though at what cost in men the dispatches do not state. Rebel losses were at first given as 600, but a later estimate is to the effect that not less than one thousand were killed and wounded.

Meanwhile, a force of about 3,000 rebels had advanced to within fifteen miles of Mexico City, where they were engaged by a somewhat larger body of federals. For two days the fighting raged, heavy execution being done by attackers and attacked, before the tide turned in favour of the government, and the rebels retreated. No pursuit was attempted, but it is not anticipated that the beaten force will return to the attack.

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TELEGRAMS.

CHINA'S BUDGET.

A HUGE DEFICIT.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, June 1, 10.25 a.m.
Received, 10.35 a.m.

Huang Hsi-ling, the Minister of Finance, has issued his Budget for 1912.

It shows receipts amounting to

297 million taels, and expenditure totalling 570½ millions.

PROSPEROUS SUDAN.

THEN AND NOW.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, May 31, 4.20 a.m.
Received, 4.30 p.m.

In his annual report on Egypt, Lord Kitchener says a constant stream of immigration from all the surrounding parts of Africa is entering the Sudan. He anticipates the population will be doubled during the next five years. When the Sudan was conquered the whole population was practically starving but now there is hardly a poor man in the Sudan.

REPUBLICAN CHINA.

THE ROYALIST PLOT.

(From Chinese Sources.)

Shanghai, May 31.

The trial of the conspirators who planned to raise a rebellion in Hankow, and who were arrested at the railway station there, is being conducted in camera. It is reported that the evidence of the prisoners revealed the participation of many of the close relatives of the Imperial family in the plot.

PROMOTION OF INDUSTRIES.

The Governor General of Shanghai is trying his best to promote industries and intends to devote money to the establishment of manufactures.

A DISPUTE ENDED.

The Cabinet has settled the differences with members of the Kwang-ai Council over the transference of the Provincial capital from Kwei-ling to Nam-ning. The Governor General of Kwang-ai will in future stay in Nam-ning while the Commissioner of Interior will remain in Kwei-ling.

THE OLD EXCUSE.

Luk Ching-choung, the new Minister of Foreign Affairs, has declined to accept his post on the plea of illness.—"Shat Po."

WONG UP NORTH.

Peking, May 31:

Wong Ching-wai arrived at Nanking on the 28th inst., and proceeded to Peking via Huph.

SELF-NOMINATION.

General Chang-fun has offered his services to the Ministry of War as Commander-in-Chief of the troops of the garrison in the provinces of Shan-tung, Chihi and Honan.—"Shi Kai Kung Yik Po."

TELEGRAMS.

SEIGE OF FEZ.

HEAVY FRENCH LOSSES.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, May 31.
Received, 5.45 p.m.

It appears that the French lost heavily in the attack of the Berber tribesmen at Fez on

the night of May 25. A telegram, which the wireless station at Fez refused, has been brought to Tangier by courier and

says that the French lost 42 killed and 72 wounded.

HOLY WAR PREACHED.

Bombay, June 1, 7.20 a.m.

Received, 12 noon.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that the newspapers agree that the situation at Fez is a grave one.

The "Matins" Fez correspondent says that the danger is growing daily and that at least ten additional battalions are required before the French can master the situation. A Holy War is being preached everywhere.

CANTON NEWS.

(The "Telegraph" Correspondent.)

Canton, May 31.

The military authorities in Wei-chow have reported to the Canton Government the seizure of a large quantity of law opium from the steam launch Tung Han. These goods were carried without a transit pass or Customs certificates. In reply to an enquiry as to what shall be done with the stuff, the Governor General ordered the military authorities to have the opium burnt in the presence of the people and to have the soldiers who made this seizure rewarded.

The Patriotic Movement.

A telegram from Nanking to Canton states that a Society for the Promotion of Patriotic Contributions has been formed there with Dr. Sun Yat-sen as president and Messrs. Wong, Yen-man, former acting vice-roy of Sze-chuan, and Shum Wing-kwan, former Governor General of Kwang-si, as working committee. The members of the Society are willing to sacrifice their estates and wealth for the sake of the country, as they cannot bear to see foreign nations controlling China's finance and their countrymen sharing the fate of the Egyptians. They have decided to take no notice of the Loan Agreement and ask the people in Canton for assistance.

These returns take no account of delegates at large, and are as follows:

1. Republican. Democrat.

Roosevelt 34 Harmon 31

Taft 8 Wilson 11

42 42

There are six delegates at large, and in the Republican and Democratic camps, both sides make claims to these, though there is a general belief that, since Roosevelt and Harmon will control the respective state conventions which affect the six, they will have no difficulty in securing them.

The Confucian Cult.

Mr. Chang Chia-lai and others have petitioned the Governor General for permission to establish a young men's Confucian association for the promotion of Confucian doctrine. The Governor-General says he has no objection to the formation of the Society, but as the Canton Code of Law has not yet passed ordinances governing the formation of societies, he cannot have the association registered in the meantime.

TELEGRAMS.

SIR GEORGE WHITE.

LADYSMITH HERO'S CONDITION.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]

London, May 31.
Received, June 1, 6.30 a.m.

The condition of Field Marshal Sir George White, V.C., is now dangerous.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(From Manila Papers.)

Washington, May 27.—The third and fourth divisions of the Atlantic fleet have been ordered to Key West to watch the Cuban situation, and Rear Admiral Hugo Osterhaus, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet, goes in personal command of the expedition. The command is prepared for instant response to order to proceed to Havana.

The State Department announced

last night that the United States

will not intervene unless American

life and property becomes

involved to a dangerous degree,

and that the government has no

desire to take charge of Cuban

affairs for a third time.

President Miguel Gomez has

gone to Washington, protesting

against the sending of marines to

Guanabacoa and the orders of

the third and fourth division of

the Atlantic fleet to hurry to Key

West. He claims that he will be

able to control the situation, but

nevertheless it is already beyond

his control. The Rural Guards

are not to be depended upon, and

some of the President's most trust-

ed supporters have been aiding

the rebels in secret.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hong

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Hongkong, 30th May, 1912. [401]

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MOTOR CAR REGULATIONS.

Mr. Bowley laid his finger upon a serious weakness in the laws of the Colony when he remarked, in a case at the Police Court yesterday, that it was not incumbent upon the driver of a motor car to sound his horn before rounding a corner. He went further, indeed, and showed that there is nothing in the laws of the Colony even requiring a horn to be carried on a motor car or a bell upon a bicycle. This is amazing enough, in all conscience, but when it is further learned that there is no legally-established rule of the road, which may be insisted upon, amazement gives place to something like dismay.

"You must dismiss from your mind the motor car regulations which exist in England," said Mr. Bowley yesterday, and, in so far as he was addressing a magistrate, he was right. But though a magistrate, whose view for the moment is restricted by the legal boundaries of the subject, may clear from his mind the rules obtaining at home in the case of motors, people acquainted with the cars and caution displayed at home, stand aghast at the laxity displayed here. The laws in England, as applied to motor cars, were framed essentially for the protection of foot-passengers and are enforced with commendable stringency. The public in Hongkong has always rested secure in the belief that similar regulations operated here, and will learn, with mixed feelings, that motor drivers can do very much as they please. It is idle to say that drivers and owners for their own sake, will not be deliberately careless or reckless, now that they know how weak is the law; that their common-sense will save them from abuse of this knowledge. Laws, after all, are made to guide and correct the abnormal rather than the average man. In the framing of restrictive legislation, particular account must be taken of the foolish and the reckless and the wicked man. The man of strong good sense does not require to be so seriously considered.

Now that the omission has been brought to light, it is imperative that regulations, complete and comprehensive, should be framed with the utmost expedition. No chances should be taken in a matter of such public importance. It is as essential that, in a city of such narrow and busy streets as obtain in Hongkong, motor cars and bicycles should be properly controlled, as that harbour regulations should be rigidly enforced. A glance at our columns almost any day will prove that the rule of the road, if one may so phrase it, is rigorously applied in the harbour. There is no sign of weakness there; there are many signs of untiring vigilance. A like state of matters should hold above. That it does not hold is a constant menace to public safety. It is, moreover, a standing reproach to the Colony. The people of Hongkong, now that they know the truth, can be content to have it stand for long against the fair name of the Colony that such a want of care for the public safety has been displayed.

DAY BY DAY.

The first Adam's Paradise was home and that is where the present Adam ought to find it.

German Mail.

The German Mail of April 30, was delivered in London on May 31.

Dumping.

Several more dead bodies have been found by the police in the public thoroughfares of the Colony.

Bangles with Sex.

Mr. Melbourne at the Police Court, this morning, is a prisoner. These are female bangles.

Disorderly Rickshaw Coolies.
Three rickshaw coolies were fined \$2 each at the Police Court, this morning, for disorderly conduct.

A Plague-infected Port.
Information has been received from H.B.M.'s Consul at Ningpo that Hongkong has been declared a plague-infected port.

R. G. Knowles Recuperating.

Mr. R. G. Knowles' condition is reported quite favourable, and he will resume his interrupted programme in Manila at an early date.

Prepared Opium.

At the Police Court, this morning, a man was fined \$2.50 for having in unlawful possession of five candelas of prepared opium.

Youth and the Trousers.

At the Police Court, this morning, a youth was sentenced to receive ten strokes of the birch and to be detained for forty-eight hours for stealing a pair of trousers.

Rangoon Restitution Suit.

Mrs. Florence Williams, wife of the manager of the "Rangoon Times," has been granted a decree for restitution of conjugal rights. The case was heard in London on April 12.

Lady Lugard

The "Times" of May 10 says: "Lady Lugard is making good progress and was able to be carried from Hana-crescent Hotel to 10, Hana-mansions, where Sir. Frederick and Lady Lugard remain for the season."

Parades.

Mr. Garrison, a state that units not represented on the birthday parade on the Hongkong cricket ground on Monday, will celebrate the birthday of His Majesty the King by a parade on their respective parade grounds.

Opium Divan.

Sergeant Adlington raided a divan in Second Street last night and placed nineteen men in the dock at the Police Court this morning. The keeper was fined \$250 with the alternative of three months' and the others were fined \$2 each or in default seven days.

Arbitration in Canton.

An interesting arbitration case is occupying the attention of some of the legal gentlemen of the colony in Canton. Mr. Grist is, we understand, an arbitrator, while Mr. Harding appears for one of the litigants. The matter, we are informed, concerns some

Attempted to Escape.
J. G. B. Hadley, who was convicted, some weeks ago, at the U.S. Court for Chian-tung year's imprisonment for stealing a quantity of pearls from a Chinese dealer, having been brought back from Hongkong for trial, has attempted to escape from the American Consular jail in the Whampoa Road, Shanghai.

Six Months for Thief.

At the Police Court this morning a Chinese was sentenced to six months' hard labour for stealing a \$100 bill from Dr. Lo Oi-tung of 214 Queen's Road West. According to the evidence in the case a man employed by the doctor allowed the prisoner to get into the premises at night. Clothes were also missing. The prisoner was found with the note in his possession.

Resumed Running.

We are informed by Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son, the local Agents of the South Manchurian Railway Company, that the Saito-Mura has now resumed running in the Shanghai-Dalny service and will leave Shanghai every Wednesday forenoon for Dalny, connecting with the South Manchurian and St. Petersburg Expresses, leaving Dalny at 2 p.m. on Friday, returning from Dalny on Saturday at 3 p.m. (the service being discontinued from Shanghai Monday morning.)

ENDED AT LAST.

EIGHTEEN-DAY CASE COMES TO AN END.

Judgment in Li Family Case.

The eighteen-day case in which the well-known Li family were the principals came to an end, this morning in the Supreme Court when the Chief Justice, Mr. W. Rees Davies, K.C., delivered his judgment. The case arose out of the affairs of the Yik Loong Bank, in which the family were largely interested, and from a family agreement come to an all night conference by which the brothers in the Li family agreed each to pay a portion of the debts. The case will be remembered for the excellent work of Mr. W. V. Drummond of the Shanghai Bar, who conducted the case in the defence.

This morning Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. W. Crowther Smith, appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Attorney General, instructed by Mr. J. Scott Harston, appeared for the defence.

His Lordship said that this was a case in which the action was brought by the widow and executrix of one Li Chuk Chi for the return of monies alleged to have been paid by Li Chuk Chi under a family agreement made between the sons of Li Sing deceased, whereby the two defendants it is alleged, requested Li Chuk Chi to pay certain debts and gave him a document in writing acknowledging their indebtedness to the amount named in the borrowing note.

The defence was a denial of the alleged request and of the payments and all indebtedness and by amendments made in the defence. At the abortive hearing before Sir Francis Piggot alternative pleas were inserted, averring revocation of the alleged request, and further stating the conditions under which the family agreement was entered into, which conditions, the defendants pleaded, were not complied with, and the agreement failed.

Questions of Fact.

The issues in the case turned entirely upon questions of fact, said His Lordship, writing a note to the amanuensis of the court, which, in my opinion has been imported into the case on both sides it has not been very easy to sift the grain from the chaff. It is essentially a case where a jury would have been of very great assistance and whilst I recognise that it would have involved many days of gratuitous service on the part of a jury, I am constrained to add that the multifarious controversies of fact must necessarily put a strain on the discerning faculties of a single individual. Li Sing, the father of the defendants, was a very wealthy man; he died in 1900 and, at the time of his death, he owned the Lai Hing firm and was also a partner and general manager of the Yik Lung We Kao Bank. At the end of 1904, or the early part of 1905, the Yik Lung Bank was in serious difficulties. It had incurred liabilities to a number of European Banks, and it seemed that certain of the brothers had already guaranteed payments to creditors in various amounts.

A Crisis.

A crisis in the affairs of the bank came, and on Jan. 11, 1905, all the brothers, with the exception of the two defendants met at the mother's house. There were ten persons in all present at this meeting, and there was no dispute between the parties as to what took place there. A list of liabilities was drawn up by Li Pak, who had been responsible for the affairs of the bank, and an agreement was drawn up and signed by the five brothers and the mother on behalf of one of the other brothers and an infant, by which each was to contribute \$80,000 towards the liabilities on Li Pak's behalf; he presumably was to contribute all that he possessed. The agreement expressed the belief that the two older brothers who were not present at the meeting would contribute \$80,000 between them. The same evening another meeting was held at the premises of the Lai Hing Firm, at which the two older brothers were present and also the six younger brothers and others making up the attendance of fourteen. The meeting lasted from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. and the proceedings were adjourned until the

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One of the Chief Issues.

The question of the meaning and intent of these documents, and of the conditions on which they were made, formed one of the chief issues of the case.

The list of debts prepared at the previous meeting on the same evening was considered and rectified, and it was found that a sum of \$900,000 was wanting to meet all the debts. After considerable discussion, it was agreed that each of the five younger brothers should contribute or be liable for \$150,000 each and that then two defendants should be responsible for a like sum between them. The defendants, however, alleged that their contribution was subject to certain conditions being complied with, while the plaintiffs contended that the borrowing note was absolute and was given by the two defendants to Li Chuk Chi to pay debts of the bank on their behalf, and that the younger brothers were to raise on mortgages the sums required to carry out their part of the family agreement, the difference being that the two elders gave personal security instead of a mortgage.

The first defendant swore that Li Chuk Chi was to hold the note as a middleman and that he said in the presence of his brothers that if any of the five would not subscribe \$150,000 in full, or, if the debts were not fully paid, Li Chuk Chi was to return the notes to him.

Pressing for Payment.

The creditors of the Bank were pressing for payment and that was the essence of the whole affair, and to have held up indefinitely the defendant's contributions would presumably have gone far to defeat the whole object of the family agreement. There was a chain of improbabilities ranging round the defendant's story on this head that he (His Lordship) must say frankly that he did not believe it.

On the evidence of the defendants' witnesses alone he did not think that any jury could

merely a medium pactum between the defendants and Li Chuk Chi or, in fact, given in respect of some contingent event.

After the death of their father Li Chuk Chi they opened his safe and found a number of deposit notes and receipts given by Li Chuk Chi in respect of respect of payment of the amount due on the deposit notes. Most of the receipts stated that the money was paid on behalf of Li Yu Ning and Li Chung Lun. He could not say that the Company had been put to much trouble in getting the notes from the store.

By Mr. D. L. Alabaster.

stock-taking twice a year. The last stock-taking was in December and there was nothing missing. He could not say that the Company had been put to much trouble in getting the notes from the store.

By Mr. Shenton.

That is my case.

Mr. Melbourne:—You say you cannot say what was missing until

the next stock-taking. Is that what you mean?—Yes.

Mr. Davidson submitted that

there was no case.

The store-keeper had said that there was

nothing missing.

Mr. Melbourne:—He said he had

been there for seventeen years.

Mr. Davidson:—Yes, we can

take it that the Company is

so admirably managed that nothing

has been missed for seventeen

years.

Mr. Melbourne:—Quite so.

Mr. Davidson said his client

had bought them and did not

know they were stolen. The

larceny could not be proved and

he thought the prosecution had

failed to prove the unauthorised

possession of the notes.

Proceeding.

His Lordship:—Is that necessary?

Mr. Alabaster:—We are asking for a stay of six months in which to consider our position. It is the appealable time.

Mr. Potter:—There is no instance of a stay being granted for six months, I am quite prepared to consent to a reasonable time.

His Lordship:—I will grant a stay for two months.

Mr. Alabaster:—Will Your Lordship say three months? The money is safe enough.

Mr. Potter:—The money is safe enough, but it should be brought into court.

His Lordship:—Mr. Attorney suggests three months.

Mr. Potter:—If the money is paid into court then I think there will be no objection.

His Lordship:—This is an exceptional case. I will grant a stay of execution for three months.

On the application of Mr. Potter His Lordship certified for two counsel and for the services of a shorthand writer.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A Disgraceful Side-walk.

We do not know to whom the strip of pathway between the new Post Office building and Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co.'s premises belongs, but we do know that it is in an abominable state. Not being paved, it is, on wet days, nothing better than a quagmire, and its filthy condition is a source of great annoyance to the public using our main city thoroughfares.

At the present moment it is covered with pools of dirty water and slippery mud, so much so that it is impossible for pedestrians to use it.

The consequence is that people have to step out into the main street, which, during these wet days, is very little better.

Whoever owns the property,

whether the Government or a private firm, it should, out of consideration for public convenience, be properly paved. The cost would be infinit

COMPANY MEETING.

A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd.

The 27th ordinary annual general meeting of Messrs A. S. Watson and Company, Ltd. was held in the Hongkong Hotel this morning. Mr. H. Humphreys presided and there were also present:—Sir Paul Chater, Hon. Mr. E. Osbourne, Messrs J. Scott Harston and H. P. White (consulting committee), J. A. Tarrant (secretary), Messrs A. H. Ough, W. D. Jupp, D. E. Clarke, F. Maitland, Taylor, J. Hooper, Hornby, J. M. Nachado, P. C. Potts, K. T. Chapple, H. W. Bird, F. W. Stapleton, C. E. Warren, J. M. Wong, Lau Chu Pak, Lau In Cheung, Lau Pak To, Ellis, H. Seth, L. Guy, and others.

Chairman's Speech:

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the chairman said—Gentlemen—I propose with your permission to take the report and statement of accounts and the auditors' report as read.

The first thing that will probably strike you on looking at the accounts before you is the very heavy capital loss occasioned by the closing of our Manila and Macauish & Lehmann branches, especially the former. The Manila loss, though regrettable, was, in our opinion, inevitable and in cutting it, we feel confident that we not only acted in the best interests of shareholders, but were fortunate under the circumstances in being able to sell both the drug business and the aerated water businesses going concerns. Further delay would merely have added to our trading losses with the possibility amounting almost to certainty that the capital loss at the end would have been greater still. We have already begun to feel some benefit from the sale of this branch whose indebtedness to Hongkong had steadily increased year by year without any corresponding expansion of trading profit. The annual profits had, as a matter of fact, continued to dwindle until of late considerable trading losses had been sustained and this notwithstanding our occupying the premises required for own use at a nominal rent. The first half of 1911 showed a trading loss for the Manila branch, but after the sale in May last, the Manila account showed a profit which was represented by interest on the mortgages of the drug business and aerated water factory respectively and surplus rentals accruing from the Escolta lease. This lease (formerly included in building improvements account) has thirteen years to run, and brings in about P^h 800 per month, clear of all outgoings. If not sold, it can be gradually amortised out of its own revenue and still leave a substantial balance annually for credit of profit and loss account for the next thirteen years. The mortgages referred to above, bear interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum in the case of the A. S. Watson Co. Incorporated, and 7 per cent. per annum in the case of the Philippines Drug Co., Incorporated. Cash remitted to Hongkong on account of the sale of the Manila business enabled us to build our new soda-water factory and add to its plant and general equipment, and also to purchase (subject to mortgage) Simeen Lot 74, which figures in the accounts for the first time. The purchase, however, was referred to by me at some length at our last annual meeting. The only other item in regard to Manila I need refer to is "San Jacinto land and buildings" which is down \$13000.17. Of this decrease instalments received on account of purchase account for P^h 6500. the balance represents loss which is included in the general loss on the sale of the Manila branch. San Jacinto will not figure in the accounts next year, as arrangements have been made by the purchasers to commute the remaining instalments by the payment of a lump sum. The item "Stocks in trade" and "Furniture, fittings, plant" etc. show large reductions due for the most part to sales of the branches already referred to.

With regard to the loss at Chingtung, we are informed that he is a sound, capable and honest

Sir John Jordan will press for settlement of our claim only in the event of the ministers of other nationalities making similar claims. The general managers have come to the conclusion (with which conclusion the consulting committee are in thorough accord) that, under the altered conditions of trade in this part of the world, the whole of the Company's energies should be concentrated in Hongkong and Canton, where effective supervision can be maintained. With this object in view all outlying branches will be closed as soon as suitable opportunities occur. With two exceptions, these outlying branches were attached to the business when it was converted into a limited liability company and in regard to those exceptions viz. Amoy and Macauish & Lehmann, Shanghai, the former has been remunerative but the latter not. The nature and scope of small pharmacy nowadays are such as to require rigid economy and unremitting toil on the part of those engaged in it to make both ends meet. These conditions rarely obtain in such a business unless worked by the owner. Neither can such a business be taxed with supervision expenses or a man more than is actually required to do the work without showing a loss. Retrenchments have already been made and strictest economy will be observed in the conduct of the Hongkong and Canton business. The general managers in conjunction with the consulting committee will give their earnest attention to this matter. Competition in all departments of the business gets keener every day but with the experience and facilities which we possess, we feel confident we can more than hold our own in Hongkong and Canton and that when we are quit of outlying branches, better results will begin to show. Indeed they are beginning to manifest themselves already. There was an increase in the trading profit of 1911 as compared with 1910 of P^h 8,619.53 notwithstanding that Shanghai had an unprecedentedly bad year and business in two of our departments in Hongkong was much curtailed by the Chinese revolution.

The loss on subsidiary coins continues to be an annual occurrence, the loss last year amounting to \$14,126.02.

Your general managers and consulting committee trust you will approve of the large writing off proposed.

The dismantling of the old factory necessitated the scrapping of a good deal of old machinery and plant and a considerable amount is needed to write these out of the books altogether.

Furniture, fittings and utensils of trade are still considerably in excess of what they would fetch if sold and therefore require to be written down freely.

I have no further remarks to make, but if any shareholder has any questions to ask, I shall be pleased to answer them to the best of my ability.

Reply to Critics.

At the conclusion of the written speech, the Chairman replied to anonymous correspondents to the Press. His remarks were made extempore and as he spoke in a low and indistinct voice it was difficult for the reporters present to catch all that was said. The following, however, is practically a verbatim account of the remarks made:—

I have no further remarks to make as regards the speech already written, but before I sit down I would like to make one or two remarks with regard to some anonymous correspondence which has appeared in the "South China Morning Post." One of the correspondents who signs himself "Concerned" writes to the paper in a somewhat ambiguous manner. It is a little difficult to know what he means, but if the letter means anything at all, it means that the General Managers of A. S. Watson and Co. Ltd. are getting their 5 or 10 per cent. commission on everything that is sent from London, in addition to which they charge Hongkong with all their out-of-pocket expenses. I do not know if he means that, but if he does I give it the lie direct. Mr. Jupp is in charge of our London office and all those who know Mr. Jupp—such among those present are many who do—know me; thank you for your attention.

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With regard to the loss at Chingtung, we are informed that he is a sound, capable and honest

man of business. The commission charged by London to Hongkong is two and a half per cent. and no further charge is made whatever, not even for a penny stamp. We could not get it done cheaper by anybody else so well. I might mention in that connection that we also have a buying agency in New York who have no connection with our firm whatever. We first started with them on a two and a half percent commission, but about two years ago they said it was not worth their while to do business at that remuneration because there was a tremendous amount of detail. But they continued at 5 per cent., which is two and a half per cent. more than our London office.

I would like to refer to one or two more anonymous letters, and I hope if the writers are present they will ask some questions. There was a letter this morning, stating that the Company was in a moribund condition and stating that the only remedy was to hand over \$27,000 to the shareholders. Well, it seems to me, gentlemen, that that is a rather old-fashioned treatment of a patient in a moribund condition—bleeding him to death. But this Company is by no means in a moribund condition. Financially speaking, at all events, it is in a stronger condition to-day than 25 years ago.

Another anonymous correspondent says we are paying too much in wages. Of course, we have a good many Europeans in Hongkong—I think about 20 altogether—but we have a very large business here, both wholesale and retail. We have a big soda-water business, big Chinese business, which requires European book-keeping, and, in addition to that, we have to keep the books of our branches and have to be in a position to supply our branches not only with any stock that they may require at a moment's notice but also any European assistance. If we had not these branches, I admit we might be able to do with two or three Europeans, but until that time comes I do not think we can do with any less Europeans.

There is still one more letter I would like to refer to. There is another shareholder who suggests that the General Managers are very foolish in selling their branches and that the buyers are robbing a rich harvest. Well, I don't know where he gets his information from. I have heard rumours to the effect that one or two are doing well, but on the other hand, I have heard that one of the buyers would gladly sell his business back to us for what he paid for it.

The case was remanded.

Mr. Jupp moved and Mr. Clarke seconded the re-election of Messrs F. Maitland and W. H. Dalton Potts as auditors at the salary of \$600 per annum, and this was carried.

The Chairman—That is all the business of the meetinggentlemen; thank you for your attention.

Other Business.

There being no questions, the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts. Mr. Wright seconded—Carried.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Hornby, Sir Paul Chater's appointment to the Consulting Committee was confirmed.

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MR. HIND AND BANK NOTES.

THE BULK GOOD TEST NOTE BAD.

A Novel Point.

At the Police Court, this morning, Mr. W. B. Hind made an interesting suggestion in reference to the genuineness of banknotes. He argued that the ones owned by his client, which the police said were bad, were in truth good, and the one the money-changer had compared them with was bad. A man was charged with uttering twelve forged notes on a Canton bank and endeavouring to pass them on a money-changer at 474 Queen's Road West. The notes were supposed to be \$5 ones and the money-changer told defendant he would want a premium of \$1.82 on every \$10. To this defendant agreed. The money-changer took the notes but was doubtful of their genuineness and compared them with a good note. He found that they were bad ones and called the police. He gave defendant in charge.

Mr. Hind said the man had pleaded guilty but, despite that fact, he had been instructed to appear on his behalf. He had not had the opportunity of discussing the matter with his client and he thought there should be an adjournment for that purpose, in fairness to the defendant. He believed the notes were good.

The Reason Why.

Mr. Melbourne—Why did he not tell the police that instead of saying they belonged to a soap shop?

Mr. Hind—You know what these people do when questioned by the police: they are very liable to tell a falsehood.

Mr. Melbourne—Well, if you have a remand I cannot take the case to-day.

The money-changer went into the box and said the notes were bad ones.

Mr. Hind said he objected to that evidence since the witness was not an officer of the bank and was not an officer of the Government issuing the notes. He further argued that the notes were of recent issue, the colour was different from the previous issue, and, money-changers had not become acquainted with the new colour. He submitted that the notes were good and it was for the police to prove that they were not, and that the defendant knew they were not and intended to receive money for them knowing they were false notes.

The case was remanded.

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Other Business.

Will the Volunteers Take Part in Monday's Parade?

The summer is naturally regarded as the off season for volunteering, and the uncomfortable weather from which Hongkong suffers during the middle of the year is ample justification for the course adopted. When warmer weather sets in, rifles and equipment are returned to the Headquarters and the amateur sons of Mars are able to rest for a spell. Consequently it is not altogether surprising that no too great enthusiasm is shown in answering calls to parades, etc., during the summer. The recent notification issued from headquarters, however, seems to show that a greater lack of interest than usual is evinced in the King's Birthday Parade, which is to be held on Monday morning.

As stated in the "Telegraph" it was originally announced that, providing a sufficient number of the men were willing to turn out, the Volunteers would be represented at the parade. We understand that a fair number replied signifying their intention of attending. A practice was fixed for Thursday evening, but the number who turned up was decidedly disappointing. As a result the following notice was issued by the Staff Officer:—

"There are still a large number of members who have announced their intention of attending the above parade and who have not been present at a practice. A second practice will be held at the Headquarters at 5.45 p.m. on Saturday, June 1, for their benefit.

The Staff Officer wishes it to be understood that it may be necessary for him to cancel the attendance of the Volunteer Corps at the Parade if the members do not attend on Saturday."

The orders issued to-day were as follow:—

Corps Orders by Lieut. Col. A. Chapman, V.D., King's Birthday Parade.

Members taking part will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 6.45 a.m. on Monday, June 3. Dress:—Review Order Khaki, medals to be worn. (Officers:—Khaki jacket, breeches and putties, Sam Browne Belt and Sword. (N.C.) Officers:—Khaki jacket and trousers, putties, rifle, belt and sidearms, one pouch on left of belt—no bandolier. All ranks Khaki helmet with leather chinstrap and Silver dragon, to be worn in front of pugri.

Rifles and Equipment will be drawn at once on arrival at Headquarters and returned after parade.

ALLEGED ARMED ROBBERY ON THE SOSHU MARU.

SEVEN MORE MEN BEFORE THE MAGISTRATES.

\$21,000 worth Missing.

At the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. Melbourne, Mr. Lewis on behalf of seven men arrested in connection with the alleged armed robbery on the a.s.s. Sosu Maru, asked for a remand as he could not go on with the case that day.

Mr. Melbourne: In July some time (laughed).

Mr. Lewis: These men have been arrested since the other three were remanded, and I thought it would be as well for your Worship to take them all together.

Mr. Melbourne: There is Friday.

Mr. Lewis: Then you have the Yau-tai murder case down for hearing in which I am defending.

Mr. Melbourne: Thursday afternoon, the murder case.

Mr. Lewis: And Friday afternoon also your Worship.

Mr. Melbourne: Quite right, Mr. Lewis: two days.

Mr. Lewis: I cannot take it soon as Tuesday.

Mr. Melbourne: Perhaps Mr. Irving can take it.

Mr. Lewis: He is also booked up for next week.

Mr. Melbourne: Then I am afraid I can only grant a formal remand Mr. Lewis. If I give you an afternoon will it finish in an afternoon?

Mr. Lewis: I am afraid not.

D. S. Wills: There is \$21,000 at stake your Worship.

Mr. Lewis: There are men formally remanded on the same charge.

Mr. Melbourne: I will formally remand the case, Mr. Lewis. I think I will take it myself.

Mr. Lewis: That will suit me your Worship.

CHINESE KILLED.

About half-past four yesterday afternoon a Chinese met his death in a passage at the rear of the Hongkong Hotel.

At the Police Court, this morning, two men named Kwan Tsui and Li Ming were charged with causing the death.

It appears that the man was working on a ladder, and it is alleged the defendants pushed a truck into the ladder bringing the deceased to the ground with such force that he died almost immediately.

The case was remanded, bail being fixed at \$250.

LOCAL SPORT.

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V.M.C.A. Tournament.

Further results in the above tournament, now in progress, are:—

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Second round: Hickling (owes 40) beat Davidson (owes 16) 6-0, 7-5.

Semi-final round: Stevens (owes 16) beat Munday (owes 3-8) 6-3.

Mixed Doubles.

Second round: Mrs. Pellow and Middleton (owes 16) beat Mrs. Newman and Hoole (scr.) 6-1, 6-2.

Semi-final round: Mrs. Sime and Heigh (owes 16) beat Miss Emberley and Longstaff (scr.) 6-0, 6-6.

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VESSELS TAKING CARGO.

European Ports.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	For Freight	To be Apply To	Dispatched.
London and Antwerp	Debighshire	J. M. & Co.	15 June	
Marselles, Hamburg and Antwerp	Andalusia	H. A. L.	13 June	
Marselles, Havre and Hamburg	Liberia	H. A. L.	27 June	
Marselles, &c., via Saigon	Ernest Simon	M. M. Co.	4 June	
Marselles, &c., via Suez Canal	Kitano Maru	N. Y. K.	5 June, d'light	
do do do	Iyo Maru	N. Y. K.	19 June	
Havre, Bremen and Hamburg	Scandia	H. A. L.	7 June	
Trieste via Singapore, &c.	Africa	S. W. & Co.	19 June	
Rotterdam, Hamburg & Antwerp	Bayern	H. A. L.	18 June	
do do do	Badenia	H. A. L.	29 June	

New York, San Francisco and Canada.

New York	Lothian	D. & Co.	15 June	
Boston and New York via Suez	Walton Hall	S. T. & Co.	6 June, about	
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan	Chiyo Maru	T. K. K.	23 July	
do do do	Persia	P. M. Co.	11 June, 1 p.m.	
Seattle via Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Minnesota	N. Y. K.	5 August	
San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan &c.	Tenyu Maru	T. K. K.	4 June	
do do do	Shinyo Maru	T. K. K.	25 June	
Mexico, Peru, Chili via Japan	H'kong Maru	T. K. K.	7 June, Noon	
do do do	Kiyo Maru	T. K. K.	6 August	
do do do	Buyo Maru	T. K. K.	4 October	
Victoria & Tacoma via Shanghai & Japan	Canada Maru	O. K. S.	26 June	
Victoria and Seattle via Shanghai and Japan	Kumakura Maru	N. Y. K.	4 June	
Victoria, and Tacoma via Japan	Chicago Maru	O. S. K.	13 June	
do do do	Tacoma Maru	O. S. K.	11 July, 1 p.m.	
Vancouver via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Empress of India	C. P. R. Co.	22 June	
Vancouver, Seattle and Portland	Oceano	Bank Line	27 June	

Australia.

Australian Ports via Manila	Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	7 June	
do do	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	5 July	
do do	Coblenz	M. & Co.	15 June	
do do	Aldenham	G. L. & Co.	6 June, Noon	

Singapore, Coast Ports and Japan.

Singapore, Penang and Rangoon	Itala	J. M. & Co.	10 June	
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay	Bombay Maru	N. Y. K.	10 June	
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Dilwara	D. S. & Co.	4 June, 1 p.m.	
do do do	Fooksang	J. M. & Co.	13 June, Noon	
Kobe and Yokohama	Tungo Maru	N. Y. K.	6 June	
do do	Fultala	J. M. & Co.	15 June	
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	M. & Co.	Middle of June	
Java, &c.	Tijipan	J. C. J. L.	F. half June	
Tientsin	Chipping	J. M. & Co.	3 June, Noon	
Weihaiwei and Tientsin	Huichow	B. & S.	10 June	
Tamsui via Swatow and Amoy	Daigi Maru	O. S. K.	2 June, Noon	
Foochow via Swatow and Amoy	Singan	B. & S.	6 June, 9 a.m.	
Haiphong	Tjiliwong	J. C. J. L.	S. half June	
Japan	Tjimanock	J. C. J. L.	F. half July	
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama	Kumano Maru	N. Y. K.	5 June, Noon	
Manila, Mangarin, Iloilo and Cobu	Loongang	J. M. & Co.	8 June, 2 p.m.	
Sandakan	Rubi	S. T. & Co.	10 June, 4 p.m.	
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Mausang	J. M. & Co.	4 June	
do do do	Segovia	H. A. L.	4 June	
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	Silesia	H. A. L.	20 June	
Shanghai	Furst Bulow	H. A. L.	20 June	
do	Wakasa Maru	N. Y. K.	5 June	
Shanghai, Moji and Kobe	Nansang	J. M. & Co.	10 June, Noon	
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji	China	S. W. & Co.	4 June	
Shanghai	Tjilatjep	J. C. J. L.	F. half July	
do	Hangsang	J. M. & Co.	2 June	
do	Africa	S. W. & Co.	4 June, d'light	
do	Anhui	B. & S.	8 June, midnight	
do	Ohioqua	B. & S.	6 June, 4 p.m.	

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s.s.s. *Fersia* is due to arrive at Hongkong on Monday, June 3rd, between 4 and 6 a.m.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s.s.s. *Kores* from San Francisco sailed from Yokohama on 28th ult. (carrying U.S. Mail) en route to Hongkong, via Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 10th inst.

The E. & A. s.s. *Empire* from Sydney, left Port Darwin on the 23rd ult., for Manila and Hongkong.

The E. & A. s.s. *Aldenham* will leave for Australia on the 6th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The T. K. R. s.s. *Kyo Maru* sailed from Valparaiso, Chile, on the 8th ult., for Hongkong and is expected to arrive on the 18th inst., at 1 p.m., for San Francisco, via Keelung, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s.s.s. *Siberia* from San Francisco, via Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 21st inst.

CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. R. Co.'s.s.s. *Empress* of India left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong (via usual ports of call) on Tuesday, the 22nd ult., a.m.

AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Tamba Maru*, American Line, left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 8th ult., and is expected here on the 9th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Nikko Maru*, Australian Line, left Nagasaki for this port on the 8th ult., and is expected here on the 4th inst.

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The s.s. *Monmouthshire* is due here from London on 3rd June.

The s.s. *Indravelli* passed the Suez Canal on the 10th ult., and is due here on or about 6th inst.

The s.s. *Japan* from Calcutta left Singapore on the 30th ult., afternoon and may be expected here on or about the 4th inst.

The I.O.C. S. N. Co.'s.s.s. *Manang* left Calcutta on the 25th ult., and is due at Hongkong about June 10.

The Austrian Lloyd's s.s. *Africa* left Suez, passed the Suez Canal on the 21st ult., and is due here on or about 10th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Jinen Maru*, Calcutta Line, left Singapore for this port on May 27, and is expected here on the 2nd inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kirin Maru*, Calcutta Line, left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 8th ult., and is expected here on the 7th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Bombay Maru*, Bombay Line, left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 8th ult., and is expected here on the 7th inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kitsun Maru*, European Line, left Shanghai for this port on the 31st ult., and is expected here on the 3rd inst.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Tango Maru*, European Line, left Singapore on the 29th ult., and is expected here on the 4th inst.

The U. A. I. s.s. *Segovia* left Singapore on the 30th ult., p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 5th inst., a.m.

PASSENGERS.

Outward.

Per P. and O. steamer *Malaya*, connecting with the steamer *Devonshire* at Colombo. From London May 31.—To Shanghai: Mr. D. Anderson.

To Hongkong: Mr. G. Pennerton.

To Singapore: Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rigby, Mr. J. Itell.

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FAR EASTERN NAVAL SQUADRONS.

Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Commander	Reported at
Alacrity	Despatch-boat	1,700	4	2,000	Comdr. C. L. Lambe	Weihaiwei
Atlas	Admiralty tug	615	—	1,400	Master West	Hongkong
Bramble	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-Com. B. E. Pritchard	Kiukiang
B. I. Tomart	Gunboat	710	—	900	Lt.-Com. W. H. Darwell	Hankow
Cadmus	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Comdr. H. Williams	Hankow
Cambrion	2nd class cruiser	4,360	10	7,000	Capt. J. E. Drummond	Weihaiwei
Cherub	Water tank and tug	390	—	340	Master W. Smith	Hongkong
Olio	British sloop	1,070	—	1,400	Comdr. H. R. Veale	Canton
Defence	—	—	—	—	Captain H. Bruce M. V. O.	Weihaiwei
Fans	Torpedo-boat destroyer	340	6	5,700	Lt.-Com. H. S. Monroe	Hongkong
Flora	2nd class cruiser	4,350	10	7,000	Capt. C. F. Corbett M. V. O.	Shanghai
Handy	Torpedo-boat destroyer	205	6	4,000	Lt.-Com. F. G. Brickenden	West River
Janus	Torpedo-boat destroyer	320	6	3,000	Lt.-Com. W. G. C. Maxwell	Hongkong
Kent	Armoured cruiser	9,800	14	22,000	Capt. Allen T. Hunt C. S. I.	Kobe
Kinsha	River gunboat	616	—	1,200	Lt.-Com. H. Marryatt	Hankow
Merlin	Surveying ship	1,070	6	1,400	Capt. F. C. C. Pasco	Labuan
Minotaur	Armoured cruiser	14,600	—	27,000	Capt. G. F. Cayley	Hongkong
Monmouth	Armoured cruiser	9,800	—	22,000	Capt. B. H. F. Bartlelet	Weihaiwei
Moerhen	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. G. P. Leith	Hongkong
Newcastle	2nd class cruiser	4,800	—	22,000	Capt. G. F. E. Hunt D. S. O.	Weihaiwei
Nightingale	River gunboat	85	—	240	Lt.-Comdr. M. Murray	Yangtze
Outer	Torpedo-boat	385	6	6,300	Lt.-Com. E. T. B. Chambers	Weihaiwei
Pegasus	Protected cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. F. H. Mitchell	Weihaiwei
Prometheus	3rd class cruiser	2,135	—	5,000	Comdr. N. Luxmoore	Hongkong
Ribble	T.B.D.	590	6	7,500	Lt.-Com. E. J. G. Mackinnon	Weihaiwei
Robin	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. A. Dixon	West River
Rosario	Depot-ship for Submarines	980	—	1,400	Lt.-Comdr. N. E. Arthurdale	Hongkong
Sandpiper	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. J. S. Hilton	West River
Snipe	River gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. Maurice Leslie	Yangtze
Taku	Torpedo-boat destroyer	305	—	6,000	Gunner E. J. Trillo	Hongkong
Tamar	Receiving ship	4,650	6	—	Capt. C. J. Eyres	Hongkong
Teal	River gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. Hon. Guy Stopford	Chungkiang
Thistle	Gunboat	710	—	300	Lt.-Com. H. N. Coltell	Hankow
Usk	T.B.D.	590	—	7,500	Lt.-Comdr. B. W. Bluest	Weihaiwei
Virago	Torpedo-boat destroyer	390	6	6,300	Lt.-Com. H. D. Adair-Hall	Weihaiwei
Waterwitch	Surveying ship	620	—	450	Lt.-Com. F. A. Reyna	Singapore
Welland	T.B.D.	590	—	5,700	Lt.-Com. C. Seymour	Shanghai
Whiting	Torpedo-boat destroyer	360	5	5,900	Lt.-Com. G. B. Hartford	Weihaiwei
Widgeon	Gunboat	195	2	800	Comdr. J. C. Borrett	Kiating
Wondock	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt.-Com. M. Blackwood	Yangtze
W. "Mark	Gunboat	150	2	550	Lt.-Comdr. G. F. Mulock	Hankow
Flagship of Admiral Sir A. L. Winsloe, K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G. ^{on} Eu route.						
Submarines:						
No. 36	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. Godfrey Herbert	
No. 37	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. A. A. L. Finner	
No. 38	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. J. R. A. Codrington	
T.B. 035	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. Woodward	West River
T.B. 036	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. Murphy	West River
T.B. 07	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. Nicol	West River
T.B. 038	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. Seymour	West River
AMERICAN.						
A-2	Submarine	—	—	—	Ensign J. McC. Murray	Olongapo
A-4	—	—	—	—	Lieut. E. D. McWhorter	
A-6	—	—	—	—	Ensign J. C. Vande Carr	
A-7	—	—	—	—	Ensign C. M. Yates	
Albany	Protected cruiser	3,430	10	7,500	Commander M. L. Bristol	
Bainbridge	Torpedo-boat des.	420	7	8,000	Lieut. C. S. Graves	Yangtze River
Barry	Torpedo-boat des.	420	7	8,000	Lieut. R. Hill	
Callao	Gunboat	243	8	250	Lieut. S. W. Cates	Canton
Chauncy	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Lieut. F. J. Fletcher	Yangtze River
Cincinnati	Protected cruiser	3,183	11	10,000	Com. S. S. Robinson	Shanghai
Dale	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Ensign J. L. Oswald	Olongapo
Decatur	Torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8,000	Lieut. B. H. Green	Yangtze River
Eleven	Gunboat	620	4	600	Lt.-Com. V. S. Houston	
Heleena	Gunboat	392	8	1,088	Com. R. H. Jackson	Olongapo
Mollie	Tender-submarine	1,000	6	1,107	Chief Gun. J. Mitchell	
Monadnock	Monitor	3,000	6	3,000	Lieut. E. P. Svarz	
Monterey	Monitor	4,084	4	5,244	Com. H. A. Wiley	
Pampanga	Gunboat	243	8	250	Lieut. C. A. Woodruff	
Piscataqua	Gunboat	—	—	—	—	
Pompey	Sea going tug	854	2	1,000	Lieut. S. W. Wallace	Hongkong
Quiroz	Repair ship	3,085	—	—	Lieut. R. V. Lowe	Shanghai
Rainbow	Gunboat	350	2	208	Lieut. J. W. Schoenfeld	Yangtze River
Samar	Cruiser	4,360	14	1,800	Lieut. Comdr. A. N. Mitchell	Cruising
Saratoga	Armorod cruiser	8,115	14	17,401	Commander H. A. Bispham	Wuchang
Villalobos	Gunboat	370	8	203	Ensign H. A. McClure	Yangtze River
Wilmington	Gunboat	1,302	8	1,804	Commander W. A. Elgar	Hongkong
Wompatuck	Tug	462	—	650	Chief Bntsn. P. E. Radcliffe	
Flagship of Rear Admiral Reginald F. Nicholson, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Asiatic Fleet						
VESSELS TEMPORARILY ON ASIATIC STATION.						
Buffalo	Transport	6,000	6	3,000	Comdr. C. M. Stone	Swatow
Colorado	Armored cruiser	13,680	18	23,000	Capt. W. A. Gill	Olongapo
California	Armored cruiser	13,680	18	23,000	Capt. A. S. Hulstead	Olongapo
West Virginia	—	13,680	18	23,000	Capt. A. S. Hulstead	Olongapo
Flagship of Rear Admiral W. H. H. Southerland						
GERMAN.						
Fanden	Cruiser	3,600	22	13,500	Capt. v. Rostoff	Tingtau
Gneisenau	Armored cruiser	11,800	30	28,000	Capt. v. Usdorff	Tsingtau
Illes	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. v. Gohren	Shanghai
Jaguar	Gunboat	900	12	1,300	Comdr. v. Gohren	Tsingtau
Leipzig	Cruiser	3,250	24	11,000	Capt. Belimann	Tsingtau
Luchs	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. Belimann	Tsingtau
Nurnburg	Cruiser	3,400	22	13,200	Capt. Morsberger	Tsingtau
Otter	River gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Jantzen	Yangtze
Schluhorsk	Flagship	11,600	36	26,000	Capt. Roing	Shanghai
S. 90	Torpo-boat	400	8	6,500	Capt. Lieut. Borromberg	Tsingtau
Taku	Torpo-boat	280	4	6,000	Capt. Lieut. S. Claassen	Tsingtau
Tiger	Gunboat	900	10	1,350	Comdr. L. Lups	Tsingtau
Tsingtau	River gunboat	223	4	1,300	Capt. Lieut. Fehr Fiecks	Canton
Vaterland	River gunboat	223	4	500	Oblt. z. S. Prinz	Shanhai
FRENCH.						
Dupleix	Armored cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	Capt. Vergos	Japan
Kleber	Armored cruiser	9,700	12	10,800	Capt. Gourta	Tonkin
Decidoo	Gunboat	645	10	1,000	Lieut. Vandier	Hankow
Argus	River gunboat	180	6	570	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	Gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. de Cervillier	Tongku
Peiho	Gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tongku
Dondard de Lagree	Gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Dutemps	Tongku
Lynx	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Boluix	Saigon
Protee	Submarine	—	—	—	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
Styx	Armored gunboat	1,798	10	1,700	Lieut. Aurillac	Saigon
Fronde	Destroyer	350	7	303	Capt. de Frigate Romieu	Saigon
d'Iberville	Destroyer	—	—	—	Comdr. de Marquesas	Saigon
Pistole	Destroyer	130	7	300	—	Saigon
Mousquet	Destroyer	307	6	300	—	Saigon
Manche	Surveying-ship	1,625	10	9,000	Com. Voisin	China Station
Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloch de Kerillia, Commander-in-Chief, the French						
Flagship of Commodore Boucicaut, Commanding the local defence Indo-China.						
Eleven torpedo-boats at Saigon and Tonkin						
Mosso	Gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Kette	Gunboat	—	—	—	Captain J. Milbord	Macao
PORTUGUESE.						

BRITISH.

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MARKET PRICES.

BUTCHER MEAT.

COMMERCIAL.

Share Report.

The following is Messrs. Wright and Hornby's weekly share report:

There has been a brisk demand during the week and a fair business has been transacted, rates ruling firm.

Rubber is quoted from London at 47/-1-2 per lb., dull.

Bar Silver is quoted at 28.1-0 per oz., for ready and 28.1-4 for forward delivery, steady.

Exchange on London opened at 2/-T.T.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have buyers at \$840 and sellers at \$845; the London rate remains unchanged at 285, middle price.

Marine Insurances.—Unions are steady at \$808 with probable buyers: Cantons, after sales at \$233, close in request at the rate. Yangtze have declined in the North to Tls. 190 ex. 73;

Fires.—China Fires are wanted at \$132. Hongkong Fires have buyers at \$350 after sales at the rate.

Shipping.—Steamboats have sellers at 264. China and Manilas are in request at \$102 and Star Ferries at \$33 for the old and \$24 for the new issue, ex dividend. Douglas have sold at \$27. Indo-Chinas are unchanged with buyers at \$85; the London rate is £7. Shells have been largely dealt with at 112/- and at the close the London market suddenly declined to 105/-.

Refineries.—China Sugars and Luzons are a neglected market at quotations.

Mining.—Raubs are in request at \$3.80. Troches are obtainable at 77/- and Chinese Engineering are quoted from London at 36/-3. Troches are quoted at 76/-, middle price. Langkats have sellers at Tls. 63.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong Docks are quiet with sellers at 49. Kowloon Wharves have been in good demand and large quantities have changed hands at various rates from \$57 to \$61, closing in demand at \$60. Hongkong Wharves are quoted at Tls. 91. Shanghai Docks are wanted at Tls. 50 after sales at the rate.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have sold at \$105.1-2 and \$108, closing with sellers at the latter rate. West Points can be placed at \$54. Kowloon Lands, after sales at \$34, close quiet. Humpti-Loris Estates have been booked at \$8.00 and are still offering at the rate. Hongkong Hotels (old) at \$110 and (new) at \$71 are in request.

Cotton Mills.—Hongkong Cottons are steady at \$5 and Two's could probably be placed at Tls. 85.

Miscellaneous.—China Borneos at \$9.3-4 ex div. China Providents at 8.50 and Watsons at 5.00 can be obtained at quotations. Cements are wanted at \$4.60. Union Water Boats at 7.3-4. Electric at \$23 and Steam Laundries at 5.14.

London Quotations received by cable to-day.

Bank 285, middle. Indos 71-1. Shells 2 5/5.

MANILA TO SHANGHAI.

"Far Eastern Review" Changes its Headquarters.

The "Far Eastern Review" has been moved to Shanghai, and will be issued from that city in the future. This was decided upon by the owner, George Bronson Rea, upon his recent trip to Manila. Most of the "Review's" business is in China, and more is expected from the same source because of the opening of the country which is expected as soon as political affairs there quiet down.

To-day's Advertisement

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship.

"JAPAN." Captain L. Y. Archibald, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 1st June, at 1 p.m.

Mr. Steamer has superior accommodation for passengers, is installed throughout with Electric Light and Valables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, where delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 5th of June, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th of June, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 12th of June, 1912, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

This steamer brings Cargo Ex. a.s. "Dredge" from Venetia. Ex. a.s. "G. Wermann" from Africa. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELCHERS & CO., General Agents. Hongkong, 20th May, 1912. [7]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship.

"PRINZ SIGISMUND," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 10th of June, at 9.30 a.m.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd of June, will be subject to rent.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship.

"DILWARA," having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

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THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

Parade on the Cricket Ground.

The following orders have been issued by Major-General Anderson:

On the occasion of His Majesty's birthday, June 3rd, a parade will take place on the Hongkong cricket ground. The following detachments will parade, strength as under:—R.N. 150. Rank and file, R.A. 100 Rank and file, R.E. 100 Rank and file, K.O.Y.L.I. 400 Rank and file, H.K. Vol. Corps 60 Rank and file. Dress:—Review Order, khaki, medals will be worn; Staff in white. No Officers to be mounted. All detachments to be in position, as per map issued with these orders, by 7.30 a.m. Markers to report to the Garrison Sergeant Major by 7.15 a.m. A Royal Salute will be fired on Murray parade-ground by the H.K.S.B.R.G.A. The C.R.A. will make the necessary arrangements for keeping the public clear of the parade ground. Detachments will fix bayonets on arrival at their positions. All general executive words of command will be given by the O.C. unless otherwise notified. On the arrival of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, troops will "slope" and "present" arms (band playing the first six bars of the National Anthem). Arms will then be "ordered" and the detachments "stand at ease." The Officer Administering the Government will then inspect the troops and return to the Saluting base, when the troops will unfix bayonets. The Union Jack will then be broken at the mast head, and the H.K.S.B.R.G.A. will fire a Royal Salute. After the 7th, 14th and last round of the salute, troops will fire a feu-de-joue.

The National Anthem.
At the conclusion of the four-de-joue, the troops will "fix bayonets," "slope" arms, and give a Royal Salute, band playing the National Anthem. They will then "slope" and "order" arms. The troops will then be ordered to remove their headress and will give three cheers for His Majesty, and the headress will be replaced. O.C. Detachments will then give orders to "slope arms" and "form fours" right, preparatory to marching past H.E. the Officer Administering the Government. Detachments will then march past in fours in succession, an interval of 20 paces being kept between units. O.C. Detachments will march past 3 paces in front of their leading section of fours, and will salute as laid down in para 180, Infantry Training, on arriving at the flag (A) of the saluting base. Officers will "carry" swords only, on the command, being given "eyes right" by the O.C. Detachment. As soon as detachments have put on their headress preparatory to forming fours for the march past, the troops on the Eastern side of the ground will move four paces to their front so as to enable the leading section of fours of the dosing detachments to move round clear of them up to gate (B) through which all detachments will move to leave the ground. Troops will proceed to their private parade ground, after passing out of the cricket ground.

The O.C. 1st K.O.Y.L.I. will detail the band of his battalion to play the detachments past, also a bugler to attend on the G.O.C. The D.D.M.S. will arrange for the attendance of a Medical Officer with stretchers, to be stationed near the pavilion on the cricket ground. All Officers, Warrant Officers, N.C.O.'s and men attending as spectators, will wear review order. Officers white, other ranks white or khaki. Commanding Officers and Heads of Departments attending will take up position near the flag staff. A limited amount of standing room is available for Officers and families and friends on the right of the flagstaff, and W.O.'s, N.C.O.'s and men, families and friends on the left.

OFFICIAL DINNER.

There will be an official dinner at Government House on Monday night June 3rd to celebrate the anniversary of His Majesty's Birthday.

The following have been invited:—General Anderson; Mr. Ross Davies; Mr. Clement; Sir Kai Ho Kai; Mr. Compton; Mr. Anderson; Colonel Rowlandson;

POST OFFICE.

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.
Monday, the 3rd June, being a general Holiday the Post Office will be open from 8 till 9 a.m. There will be a delivery of ordinary correspondence and a collection from the pillar boxes on Sunday.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

In the event of the arrival of the French Mail from Europe there will be a delivery of ordinary correspondence only.

Only fully prepaid letters and post-cards are transmissible by the Siberian Route to Europe. Letters for this route should be inscribed via Siberia.

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended:—Hup h, Huan, and Tengyueh.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London May 11th
Due Shanghai May 29th

MAILS DUE.

America, Korea, 10th p.m.
America, Persia, 3rd June.

MAILS CLOSE.

Swatow—Per Ultima, 2nd June, 9 a.m.

Hoitow and Siam—Per Anghia, 2nd June, 9 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Sinti, 2nd June, 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Tsinan—Per Daigern, 2nd June, 9 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Africa, 3rd June, 9 a.m.

Hoitow—Per Johanne, 2nd June, 9 a.m.

Hongay—Per Chintang, 2nd June, 9 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 3rd June, 9 a.m.

Philippines Islands—Per Iridora Pone, 3rd June, 9 a.m.

Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Uelene, 3rd June, 9 a.m.

Shanghai, North China, and Japan via Kobe—Per Salazier, 3rd June, 4 p.m.

Haiphong and Pakhoi—Per Hanoi, 4th June, 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Hulan, 4th June, 10 a.m.

Weihaiwei and Tientsin—Chipping, 4th June, 10 a.m.

SIBERIAN MAIL.

Shanghai, North China, Japan, H. I. U. S., United States, Canada and South America, via San Francisco (Europe, via Siberia)—Per Tengyueh, 4th June, 11 a.m.

French Mail.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Manchuria. (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.) (Late Letters 11 a.m. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents.)—Per Ernest Simons, 4th June, 11 a.m.

Macao—Per Sui Tai, 4th June, 11 a.m.

Streets and India via Calcutta—Per Dillwara, 4th June, 11 a.m.

Helong, Shanghai, North China, Japan via Manchuria—Per Hulow, 30th May, 1912.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Hulan, 4th June, 10 a.m.

Weihaiwei and Tientsin—Chipping, 4th June, 10 a.m.

French Mail.

Shanghai, North China, Japan, H. I. U. S., United States, Canada and South America, via San Francisco (Europe, via Siberia)—Per Tengyueh, 4th June, 11 a.m.

French Mail.

Keelung, Shanghai, Northern China and Japan via Moji, Vicksburg, B.C. and United States via Seattle—Per Kamakura-mura, 4th June, 8 p.m.

Philippines Islands—Per K. Ilong, 4th June, 9 p.m.

Streets and Ceylon—Per Kitano-mura, 4th June, 5 p.m.

Swatow—Per Hainan, 5th June, 10 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy, Formosa and Foochow—Per Kaiyo-maru, 5th June, 11 a.m.

Japan via Nagasaki—Per Kunimatsu, 5th June, 11 a.m.

Sandakan—Per Mansang, 5th June, 3 p.m.

Halvorp and Pakhoi—Per Singan, 6th May, 8 a.m.

Philippines Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand—Per Aldenham, 6th June, 11 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per Chin-hua, 6th June, 8 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Halvorp, 7th June, 10 a.m.

Japan via Moji, Honolula, Manzanillo, Salina, Oran, Oolmo, Aden, Iquique, Valparaiso and Callao—Per Hongkong, 7th June, 11 a.m.

Philippines Islands, Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand—Per Nikko-maru, 7th June, 11 a.m.

Mr. d'Ortingen; Major Taylor; Monsieur Poillard; Colonel St. John; Mr. Alabaster; Mr. Murray Stewart; Colonel Irwin; Mr. Friesland; Colonel Gordon Hall; Mr. Macedo; Colonel Dyer; Mr. Imai; Mr. Chanthan; Mr. Thompson; Mr. Crofton; Rev. Father Spada; Mr. Halifax; Colonel Hamilton; Dr. Vorotisch; Colonel Radcliffe; Mr. Ritz; Capt. Stewart; Colonel Gobbo; Mr. de Reus; Mr. Baddeley; Mr. Wei Yuk; Colonel Stacpolo; Colonel Chapman; Mr. Hurado; Mr. Pollock; Mr. Osborne; Colonel Mulling; Mr. Janssens; Major Tulloch; Mr. Nilsson; Rev. Foster Pegg; Capt. Simonds; Rev. Copley Moyle.

TO FIGHT RINDERPEST.

Determined move in the Philippines.

Three hundred Scouts from Camp Connell have been promised by the military authorities and they are now on their way to Iloilo to assist in maintaining a more effective quarantine.

Dr. Ward, chief veterinarian of the Bureau of Agriculture, has returned from Iloilo, where he was sent to investigate rinderpest conditions arising from the importation of diseased cattle into the province. He reports no material change in the situation either for the better or the worse. The Bureau of Agriculture is of the opinion that the true situation has not yet been learned, owing to the fact that the cattle that were imported were distributed over a wide area, being taken over the railroad and starting on journeys to their destination at several points on either side of the road.

Dr. Taylor, director of the Bureau, stated that the danger from the disease lies not in the number of the animals that were infected but arises from the fact that every sick animal was liable to create a new centre of infection.

Railway Cooperation.

The cooperation of the officials of the Philippines Railway in the work of detecting rinderpest in the provinces of Iloilo and Capiz is the most encouraging feature of the most encouraging feature of the rinderpest situation in Panay," said Dr. A. F. Ward, when interviewed by a representative of the "Cablemen-American" upon his return from an inspection trip to Iloilo.

"General Manager Poland," he continued, "has placed at the disposal of the Bureau now at work in that district a corps of railroad employees who are perfectly familiar with local conditions. A number of freight traffic solicitors are in the field searching for rinderpest and furnish a valuable addition to the force of the Bureau now at work in that district. Every station agent along the line furnishes a daily report regarding the death of cattle and carabao in the vicinity of the various stations. The Philippines Railway Company has furnished the Bureau with invaluable assistance in the present emergency."

Drought. Largely Responsible.

"Already some 15 barrios infected with rinderpest have been discovered in the municipalities of Dumaguete, Polotan, Santa Barbara, Taro, Iloilo and Otone, and the disease is assuming a virulent type for the province has not been devastated by the scourge for several years. Colonel John B. Bennett, Philippines Constabulary, is rendering every possible aid compatible with the force at his disposal. Some 40 men are on duty at Iloilo alone largely employed in guarding corrals of infected imported animals.

"At the present time the Bureau force is entirely inadequate and, owing to the poor transportation facilities from Cebu, it will take some time to move in the men necessary. The prolonged drought in Panay will complicate the campaign against the disease because of the difficulty in obtaining fodder for the animals when isolated and prevented from pasturing."

Portuguese Crown Jewels for Sale.

It has been decided by the Portuguese Government to sell royal furniture and valuables to the amount of £1,000,000, which sum was advanced to the late King Carlos. The property includes the Crown jewels, valued at £300,000 and the Dom Miguel's jewels, valued at £600,000.

POST OFFICE.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

Eastern Extension.

List of unclaimed telegrams lying in the Eastern Extension Office at Hongkong:

Allegory, from Shanghai.
Angchike, from Manila.
Cheongsing, C/o Kitang, C/o Tungsunglung, from Medan.
Choconsoing Chop Kongsang-kong, No. 48 Tongham, Kuala Lumpur.

Postage 10 cents.

Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, 7th June, at 5 p.m.—Postage 10 cents.

Date 8th June, 11 a.m.

For further particulars, apply to

Post Office, 10th June, 1912.

Mail Steamers

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL S.N.C.

WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on or about the DATES named—

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON REMARK

SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA SIMLA, Capt. G. D. Goldsmith, a.m.m.

Daylight, 1st June, Passage

SHANGHAI, ARCADIA, Capt. S. Harborth, 6th June, Passage

LONDON, VIA DELTA, Usual Ports of Call, Capt. E. P. Martin, a.m.m.

Noon, 8th June.

LONDON & ANTWERP, SYRACUSE, PIRASO, OMBRO, PORT SAID AND MARESHILL, Capt. R. A. Polers, 17th June, Passage

For further particulars, apply to

H. W. D. WALLARD, Acting Superintendent, Hongkong, 30th May, 1912.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL ON

NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, BULOW, Capt. H. Forster, 10,000

SATURDAY, 1st June.

TUNGGEE, from Calcutta.

White Passenger "CHIYU MARU," from Shanghai.

Yantchoung, from Haiphong.

Yuenxuong, from Saigon.

0033, from Foochow.

1158, from Tientsin.

135 Des Voeux Road, from San Francisco.

Hongkong 31st May, 1912.

J. M. Beck, Superintendent.

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